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How many of the hundreds who daily use Bonham Road or Breezy Path stop to think of what is signified by the words "Nethersole and Affiliated Hospitals" over the low grey building with its brown relief which is situated at the junction of these two important thoroughfares?

Yesterday a "China Mail" representative whose interest had been quickened by a slip of paper announcing that the annual meeting concerning its affairs would be held to-morrow determined to find out if anything went on behind those ever-open doors that the passer-by on the Colony generally would be the better for knowing.

The hour was not that at which a group of suffering humanity daily gathers at the benches inside the main entrance to have what are generally minor ailments attended, but immediately on the left of these benches a glimpse could be caught through an open door of several neatly attired and very capable looking Chinese girls, or rather young ladies, seated round a table obviously intent on study. These, the newspaper man was informed, were undergoing the course of training to which prospective nurses had to submit themselves, a system which was responsible for the turning out of many valuable helpers.

Passing through and up a flight of stairs leading to the compound of the London Missionary Society, in connection with which the hospitals here are run, the newspaper man was given a choice of which to visit—the Nethersole (erected in 1893), the Alice Memorial Maternity opened in 1924 or the Ho Miu Ling (opened in 1906).

At the Ho Miu Ling he was surprised at the outset by the lady missionary in charge. Referring to the manner in which the fame of the hospital spread through the reports of patients returning in whom cures had been effected, this lady remarked that in the near future there would probably be an influx of patients blind or with eye trouble of varying degree, as there were several patients in the Hospital at the present moment who had entered blind and by means of the removal of cataracts or other operations were now well on the road to recovery of their vision.

Cases such as these were by no means unusual, she assured the astonished newspaper man, who was wondering how he ever could have been numbered among those who passed with indifference an institution where blind men made to see were looked upon as "by no means nothing unusual."

"That her heart and soul were in the work it was perfectly obvious when the lady talked of her patients with most of whom she could converse, although she admitted that the dialect of one old man was too much for her. "The funny part of it," she remarked, "is that the patient in the next bed can talk both this dialect and Cantonese but when we talk to him in Cantonese and tell him to pass on a question to the other patient he appears to do it all right but his mind simply won't work back into 'reverse' to allow of his telling us the answer in Cantonese."

"These two dear old men (indicating two happy old bodies gazing contentedly at everything in general from their beds) were so quaintly humorous when they underwent eyesight tests after having had cataracts removed. When they came to the Hospital asking that they might be made to see they were holding each other's hands for all the world like two little kiddies. Successful operations over, they were tested by means of fingers and other things held before them. One, who is 70, could not see quite so well as the one who is 60, and it was very amusing to watch him going over the actions afterwards by himself with the means of his own fingers and other objects nearest to him, also to hear the two comparing notes."

Another patient, released a few days before, had also been the source, unconsciously, of subdued amusement. He had been terribly disfigured in the course of a bandit attack on his home, part of his jaw having been blown away. Operations had proved successful and "with the aid of nature and a little silver filament" his appearance was improved so greatly, that he never tired of looking at his reflection in the mirror.

These were but a few of interesting cases she was daily attending and the experience was most valuable, she remarked. At Home hospitals more or less specialised

HONAM STRIKE.

River Steamer Incident.

LATEST POSITION.

SAILINGS TO BE RESUMED TO-NIGHT?

Owing to her crew "downing tools" an hour or so before sailing, the Steamboat Co.'s s.s. Honam did not leave Canton yesterday. Inquiries in Hongkong this morning elicited the information that there is more in this action than meets the eye. Parties, nominally disinterested, are said to be taking an active part and that even political considerations have had their influence. Hongkong, however, has the matter in hand, but shortly before the fifth hour to-day, no authentic news as to latest developments had come through.

Writing under yesterday's date, the "China Mail's" Canton correspondent says:—

At 7 a.m. to-day (an hour before the usual hour of departure) the crew of the Honam were still

JUDGE'S DILEMMA.

CHINESE TRANSLATION PROBLEMS.

LACK OF FINALITY.

Decisions That Can Be Read Twenty Ways.

The latitude allowed by the language's construction to translators of Chinese was again the subject of comment by the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gwynne Gollan, in the Supreme Court this morning. "It is all very well for the translators," he said, "but I can't give a decision which may be read in 20 different ways."

This morning's proceedings were the outcome of a case passed by his Lordship on the Court translator who failed to see any "material difference" in translations submitted by the plaintiffs and respondents respectively of cases taken from the Tai T'sing Lut Lai, (Chinese book of laws) in respect of the position of a fourth wife in the administration of an estate. As a result of his evidence the Chief Justice ordered an authentic translation to be made.

Mr. Cheung Tsol, who had held office as clerk under Mr. Justice Gompertz when the latter was Police Magistrate, also later as Deputy Registrar, and who has been several years translator for Messrs. Johnston, Stokes and Master, was called by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (who appear for the brother of the deceased who contests the fourth wife's right).

Mr. Cheung gave his translation and as requested pointed out where it differed from the translation already made.

Asked if in so far as there any material differences between them he could guarantee that his was the most correct translation he said that he could not. It was all a question of method. In translating he had used the method of explaining the meaning first of the large letters without reference to the smaller letters and then explaining the smaller letters later.

His Lordship: What is the difference between the two?

Witness: The large letters signify the law as it was originally drafted and the smaller ones, I believe, notes of explanation added later by someone else.

His Lordship: And what method is used in the other translations?

Witness: The large and small letters have been translated in with each other in general meaning.

His Lordship: But surely there is one correct method and one only of translating?

Mr. Jenkin: One of the most notable features of Chinese writing, my Lord, is its brevity. So much is left to be understood. It would be difficult for one man to say that his only was a correct translation.

His Lordship: How then can I administer the law? No wonder no one knows how to translate English into Chinese. It is all very well for these gentlemen but when I came to give a decision I can't give one which may be read in 20 different ways.

Mr. Jenkin: If one translation only could be held to be correct I should be very much surprised.

His Lordship: If a translation was made from English into French it would be certified as a correct translation. I want equal finality before I give a decision in this case. The original translation did at any rate lay claim to be a correct one but this witness gives one which he will not vouch for the accuracy of.

Mr. Jenkin: With all due respect, my Lord, the witness says that in so far as there is a difference between his translation and others he will not vouch that his is any more correct than the others.

Witness: I am perfectly certain of the correctness of my translation of the large text. As to the insertions and the small text I am also confident that I am correct.

Another witness was then called, Mr. Lo Hing-yuen, Attorney-General to the Southern Republic for eighteen months and a member of the Hongkong and English bar, also an M.A. (Oxon). He had given little evidence when the case was adjourned until this afternoon.

travelling up, ostensibly, to act as mediators.

The Lungshan and the other ships got in from Canton at the ordinary times last night. Apparently, the Honam has been towed away from the wharf and was last reported to be lying in the stream, manned by naval ratings from the British gunboats at Canton.

The "China Mail" has also been informed that prior to the trouble coming to a head, steps were taken in Hongkong to prevent any toward circumstances. As already indicated, there may be considerations other than the alleged maltreatment of a boy or steward. The latest official word on the subject is that the whole matter is being thoroughly investigated and it is hoped the Honam's sailings will be resumed this evening.

FIGURES IN THE NEWS OF THE WORLD.



From: KARL RADAK & MRS. A. LOCATELLI
Below: GEORGE EASTMAN & GENE SARAZEN

Karl Radak, who has exercised an influence in Soviet Russia, second only to that of Leon Trotsky, is said to be about to go into political exile because of his interference with the German Communist party. Lieutenant Antonio Locatelli, noted Italian aviator, who was forced down in Greenland in recovering in Rome from an appendicitis operation. George Eastman, millionaire inventor and philanthropist, is soon to retire as president of the \$250,000,000 Eastman Kodak Company, and will continue in the organization only in an advisory capacity as chairman of the board of directors. Gene Sarazen, former American open golf champion, has been signed as professional of the Golf Park Country Club, at Miami, to work from December to April, at \$5,000 a season, said to be the highest salary ever paid a professional golfer.

and one had direct experience of few cases of variety. Here, however, the medical missionary attended to any case which was submitted to him for treatment, usually with marked success. The greatest difficulty was to get the sufferers to come early enough. Most of them aggravated their injuries or complaints, sometimes even made their cases impossible ones, by such neglect.

These well-equipped hospitals have the latest surgical instruments, X-ray apparatus are on the way and the operating rooms will be centralised in what will be the main building if plans for extension materialise, and the public responds in a manner befitting the greatness of the work.

The services of the hospitals are placed at the use of the poorer classes of the Chinese at the rate of 30 cents a day if it is within the means of the patient this just about covering the cost of food, and for the cost of maintaining and staffing the Hospital the management has to depend on contributions from the Government and public subscription.

The Hospital is run on business-like lines but in spite of economy wherever such is possible without sacrifice of efficiency there is a deficit on the year's working of nearly \$1,500. This compares very favourably with the balance sheet of two years ago when the deficit was \$8,000.

"The patients are very fair on the whole, and we seldom get any who try to take advantage of the marked lady directly mentioned. Many save up just enough for the length of time they think it will take them to be cured. Someone with some similar (Continued at foot of page 2.)

working on board. At 7.05 they walked out and left the ship in the hands of the European officers. Passengers, accordingly, left the ship, some re-embarking immediately on the night boats. The seamen allege that the chief officer unwarrantably struck the steward on May 21 when the Honam was at Canton.

I understand that Sir J. Jamieson, the British Consul-General, is using his good offices in the matter. I have also been informed that the chief officer denies the alleged assault.

From a reliable source I learn that the crew are demanding from the Steamboat Co. (broad translation):—

- 1.—The instant dismissal of the chief officer.
- 2.—An apology by the Steamboat Co. at the Seamen's Union.
- 3.—Reinstatement of the steward.

malady has perhaps told them that they were cured in so long a period and when that time comes, whatever state they are in, they tell us they must go because they have no money. Of course we don't let them go; in nearly all the cases we know they are telling the truth."

Conducting the newspaper man to the door the lady missionary pointed out with just pride a bed which children from her native town entirely maintained. "An example we should be only too delighted to give to any other hospital," her remarks passed on to any "China Mail" readers who are in a position to do likewise and feel disposed to do so by an account short as it is of some small part of the work of these hospitals in alleviating and effecting cures.

4.—Undertaking that "proper" treatment shall, in future, be accorded to the crew, equally with the white officers.

I am informed that a circular to that effect was issued by the Seamen's Union.

[In Hongkong it has been ascertained that a copy of the circular has been received, confirming our Canton correspondent's report. Something queer in the dates of printing and issue of the circular and the time of striking point to other influences being at work.]

Continuing, our correspondent reported that at 4.30 p.m. yesterday, the Honam was still alongside her wharf with steam up and the Blue Peter hoisted. He heard that she would be towed to Shamsen for safety. On arrival at Canton during the afternoon, the Kinshan anchored off Shamsen. "As regards the report in the 'Canton Gazette' that the chief engineer's party did not end till 3 a.m., he was told that it actually dispersed at midnight. He also learns that the whole incident is to come up before the Harbour Master when the Honam returns to Hongkong."

From the offices of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., this morning, a "China Mail" reporter learned that efforts were made this morning to get the Kinshan's crew to strike, but that the ship left Canton about ten a.m. (two hours late) en route to Hongkong.

None of the ships of the other companies seems to have been affected thus far. Last night the Fatshan, owned by the China Navigation Co. and run in conjunction with the Steamboat Co., left Hongkong at the usual hour, with three local Seamen's Union delegates who are

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"SHEER MADNESS." SINGAPORE SCHEME CONDEMNED. BUDGET ATTACK.

Mr. Lloyd George And The Terrible Earthquake.

Another strong attack was made on the Singapore base scheme in the House of Commons yesterday.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 25. Mr. Philip Snowden (Labour) Chancellor of the Exchequer in the Socialist Cabinet, moved the rejection of the Budget.

Mr. D. Lloyd George (Liberal), who vigorously supported him, complained of the failure to cut down expenditure, especially in armaments.

He did not intend to postpone the pensions scheme and forebode a further step in the Government policy before the end of the year which would dispel anxiety regarding the burden which pensions were placing on industry.

Mr. Churchill explained that the modification of the silk tax would cost £100,000 in a full year.

He stated that as a result of negotiations with the traders he was convinced that the consumption of



Mr. Lloyd George.



Mr. Philip Snowden.

He expressed the opinion that the Singapore scheme particularly was sheer madness in view of the terrible earthquake which must completely have put any plan of aggression out of Japanese minds, even if they were previously disposed to contemplate it.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, denied that



Mr. Winston Churchill.

the Budget had increased the unpopularity of the country and facetiously compared the remission of taxation under his "millionaires' budget" with that granted by the Socialist Chancellor, Mr. Snowden.

He declared that the more he heard about the silk tax the more he was convinced of its excellence, and subject to the modifications made with a large measure of agreement, he was sure it would become permanent.

He added that the Government

PRINCE OF WALES.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, May 25. Reuter's correspondent with the Prince of Wales at Jagersfontein says that a tribute never before paid by the Dutch Church was rendered at yesterday evening's divine service at the Dutch Reformed Church attended by the Prince of Wales, which opened with the singing of "God Save the King." The combined service was conducted by ministers representing the Anglican, Wesleyan and Dutch churches.

Earlier in the day the Prince visited Diamond Mine, in which he was greatly interested, and was afterwards presented with a beautiful white diamond still embedded in its rocky home. Jagersfontein opens the tour of the Free State.

SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS.

The following, kindly supplied by Messrs. J. Gould & Co., were the opening quotations on the Shanghai Market this morning.

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FRENCH IN MOROCCO.

FIRST PHASE ENDED.

GENERAL DANGAN APPOINTED GENERALISSIMO.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rabat, May 25.

General Dangan, has been appointed Generalissimo on the front extending from Algeria to the Atlantic. He will be assisted by Generals Billotte and Chambrun the latter of whom will continue in command of the Fez area.

MORE ENERGETIC ACTION.

Paris, May 25.

According to the Matin's Fez correspondent the first phase of the French operations in Morocco has ended, and Fez has no longer anything to fear from the Rifis. The French will now undertake fresh and more energetic action.

The Moroccan Expert, M. Raynaud, expresses the opinion that after the Rifis have been chastised, an honourable agreement must be made, opening to the Rifis the doors of the natural granary of the Rif region, namely, the rich valley of Wergah, in the French zone. Abdel Krim must abandon all his claims to the Sultanate and return, leaving the Rif to enjoy complete autonomy.

Several newspapers point out that Abdel Krim now seems inclined to turn his efforts to Algeria.

OUTPOSTS EVACUATED.

Paris, May 25.—It is reported from Rabat that the French have evacuated six outposts in the Tachinat-Moulayin district owing to the difficulty of re-occupying due to the daily incursion of the Rifis.

A Paris message of May 23, stated:—A communiqué from Fez states that General Chambrun carried out a brilliant operation in the centre enabling him to relieve the Upper Wergah district in spite of the furious enemy attacks with large forces hurriedly rushed up and the desperate resistance of others firmly entrenched in positions. The artillery and air force gave valuable assistance to the French advance. The enemy's losses were considerable and the French casualties comparatively slight.

TEXTILE INDUSTRY.

POSSIBLE MISSION TO FAR EAST.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 25.

In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Walter de Frece, Mr. A. M. Samuel, Parliamentary Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, stated that the proposal to send a textile mission to the Far East, which was originally made in 1912, had recently been revived and was seriously being considered by the Overseas Trade Department.

JAPANESE EARTHQUAKE.

NEARLY THREE HUNDRED VICTIMS.

Osaka, May 25.—The casualties so far ascertained are 127 corpses discovered at Kinokuni, and 48 at Toyooka. Railway damages are estimated at half a million Yen, including demolished stations. Sasebo naval station is rushing six destroyers with supplies to the scene. A relief party numbering 1,500 left Osaka yesterday.

Barracks are being erected for sufferers who are still packing the open spaces. Latest reports show little damage to the silk reeling at Tajima. For instance four of the principal factories at which is produced the best raw silk, "Tansai" double extra, were all undamaged. The extent of the injury to the spring crop of cocoons is not known but it is hoped it is not serious.

Later.—An official message says the quake casualties are 278 deaths within the jurisdiction of the Hyogo Prefecture.

EARTHQUAKE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Manila, May 24.—A sharp earthquake was felt here at 11.43 this morning, the centre being three hundred kilometres distant. It was distinctly perceptible in the down-town district.

Washington, May 25.—The Federal Reserve Advisory Council has issued a statement expressing the opinion that Britain's removal of the gold embargo marks an epoch in the financial history of the post-war period. The return of Britain and the dominions to the gold standard is almost important development for the United States.

The Council regards the financial markets made by the New York reserve bank and other banks to extend further confidence when needed as among the most important achievements of the Federal Reserve system.

Mr. Poulton, the British workers' delegate, voiced the deep disappointment of the workers at the slowness in the ratifying of the conventions.

Heir Feig, the German Government representative, said that the German Government of Labour was elaborating legislation fixing the hours of work and keeping in view the necessity of assisting the workers in the Washington Convention.

"KNOW YOUR EMPIRE."

PRIME MINISTER'S ELOQUENT APPEAL.
A NEW MEANING.

Bonds "Light As Air Yet Strong As Iron."

A fresh impetus to the meaning of Empire has been given by the British Prime Minister in broadcasting the Empire Day message.

A FRESH TITLE?

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 25.

An eloquent appeal to encourage the sentiment of Empire, whose bonds are as "light as air yet strong as iron," was uttered by the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in broadcasting the Empire Day message.

Mr. Baldwin suggested that we must give the word "Empire" a new meaning or substitute the title "Commonwealth of British Nations."

He declared that we cannot be merely passive admirers of the Empire's achievement and promise.

REDS AND FAR EAST.

(Reuter's Service.)

Riga, May 25.

M. Stalin, the chief of the Soviet triumvirate, known as the "standard bearer of the revolutionary movement in all countries," in a speech at the communist university for oriental nationalities, said that his students were composed of two groups, firstly from the Soviets of the Eastern Territories and secondly from the colonies and dependencies of other powers for example India, Egypt, China and Java.

Revolutionary work in India must aim at creating an alliance between workers and the native bourgeoisie in order to overthrow the imperialists and the richer bourgeoisie. Somewhat different tactics were necessary in Egypt and China. The peculiarities of the national movement of each country must be studied and utilised.

ITALIAN AVIATOR.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, May 25.

The airman De Pinedo arrived yesterday. He left at eight o'clock to-day for Batavia.

ARRIVES SAFELY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Wettedreden, Batavia, May 25—

Major De Pinedo has arrived here.

New York, May 25.—It is announced that Messrs. Henry L. Doherty and Company have secured an option lease on lands in Prince Edward Island for petroleum exploration and subsequent drilling. Six geologists are now on route to Charlottetown to make a survey of "promising districts" which it is asserted are similar structurally to the mid-continent oilfields.—Reuter's American Service.

Peking, May 25.—Two Japanese naval aeroplanes reached Omura yesterday and are expected at Heijo to-day and here to-morrow.—Reuter.

PRINCE GEORGE.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE ARRANGEMENTS.

NOT COMING AS ROYALTY.

Our Singapore correspondent cables that H.R.H. Prince George sailed yesterday on the "Malwa" which is due to reach Hongkong early on Thursday morning. He will not disembark here as was anticipated, but will proceed to Shanghai, and will there join H. M. S. Hawkins.

The Malwa will remain in port all day on Thursday, and the Prince will come ashore and stay at Government House. He will probably attend a garden party in the afternoon.

A notification from Government House says that a cable has been received from H. R. H. Prince George, accepting an invitation from H. R. H. the Governor to stay at Government House on Thursday night.

H. R. H. will not be accorded a Royal Salute, or any official reception upon landing in Hongkong, as instructions have been received that he will not, in the ordinary course, be treated as a Royalty whilst serving in H. M. S. Hawkins.

H. R. H. will be invited to meet the members of the Executive and Legislative Councils at an informal luncheon party at Government House on Thursday.

On Thursday afternoon, the Government House will be open to the public, and it is expected that H. R. H. will be present.

A notice concerning the Prince will appear in the Press to-day.

He deprecated the belittlement of the material side of partnership. On the contrary, all members of the family ought to assist freely and ungrudgingly for the good of all.

Finally Mr. Baldwin expressed the opinion that the ambition of every one should be to pay at least one visit to Britain overseas, and modify the phrase "Know thyself" into "Know your Empire."

"ENDLESS CHAIN" TOUR.

At a recent meeting in Toronto, Mr. F. B. Fetherstonhaugh, K.C., made an ingenious suggestion with a view to the more effective advertising and the mutual improvement of knowledge of the various parts of the Empire. The C.P.R., he said, have annual cruises around the world, but he suggested, it would be a good thing for the C.P.R. or any other steamship company to inaugurate an annual cruise around the Empire in which the passenger list would be made up of people from every portion of the Empire. For instance, say the ship started from Canada, a certain number would come from Canada. They would be joined in Britain by certain others, at other ports by certain others from South Africa, from India, from Australia, and so on, making a sort of endless chain of passengers continually going into the ship so that the voyage would serve to make the most responsible citizens of each Dominion or portion of the Empire acquainted with each other, and so cement the ties of the Empire. It would, of course, be arranged that the Canadians would be brought back to Canada, the English, Scottish, or Irish to Britain, and so on. The idea is commended to the organisers of Empire tours.

ELECTION TROUBLE.

RIOTERS ATTACK POLICE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, May 25.

A number of people were killed including three councillors généraux and several were wounded in riots at Martinique in connection with the municipal elections. The rioters attacked the police.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

BUSINESS FOR THURSDAY'S MEETING.

The following is the business for the meeting of the Legislative Council on Thursday:—

Financial Minutes.

Report of the Finance Committee.

The following resolution will be moved by the Colonial Secretary:—

Resolved by the Legislative Council that the percentages on the valuation of tenements payable as rates for tenements on the following lots on Kowloon Bay Reclamation shall be 13 per cent New Kowloon Island Lots Nos. 132, 226, 227, 238, 239, and 251.

The Hon. Attorney-General will move the second reading of the Bill intituled an Ordinance to amend the Repts Ordinances, 1922 and 1924.

FOUND DRUNK.

SOLDIER ADMITS GUILT.

Found in a state of intoxication at the lower Peak Tram Station on May 10, Private Alfred Markham, 1st Bn. East Surrey Regiment, appeared before a district court martial at Murray Barracks this morning.

Prisoner pleaded guilty and no evidence was therefore considered necessary. The court therefore adjourned and sentence will be pronounced in due course.

The President of the Court was Major R. S. S. Paton of the 1st Bn. East Surrey Regiment.

The Post Office advise that a portion of the letter mails for the U.S.A., Cuba and Panama forwarded from Hongkong by the s.s. "President Madison" on April 3 was destroyed by fire on the East bound train which left Seattle at 5.30 p.m. on April 22.

No particulars regarding the articles destroyed can be furnished.

Although still not strong enough to "see" without Mr. M. E. Key, Secretary of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, who was injured in Saturday's motor cycle accident is making good progress.

Mr. P. Brown of Messrs. Loxley & Co. who was injured in the same accident is also doing well.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

New Telephone Company.
(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Referring to the reports of the discussion that took place on the resolution laid before the Legislative Council on Thursday last and the editorial references apropos the points raised by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E., who in the course of his speech drew attention to the subject matter of Clause 10 of such Resolution in connection with the view that without statutory safeguards providing adequate protection to the public, this clause as it stood would render it possible for the new Company to build up unlimited reserves by allocations from profits (and by reason of the guaranteed minimum return to shareholders, ipso facto cause the rates of subscription to be unduly increased from time to time); it appears to me opportune to draw attention to an important factor of which the Hon. Mr. Alabaster was evidently not cognizant.

With a view to clarifying the position, I would point out that in the initial stages of the negotiations between Sir George Gibb and myself, various detailed schedules were drawn up and submitted to the Government and also to the General Committee of the Chamber of Commerce. In the preparation of such schedules the purpose I kept in view was not only to formulate a basis upon which the present company's undertaking in Hongkong could be acquired by a Company to be formed locally, but also to arrive at the subscription rates it would be necessary to charge in order that the new company could operate both economically and successfully. The particular schedule setting out the estimated annual expenditure (in the compilation of which the basic principle borne in mind was necessarily the provision of amounts reasonably anticipated as the maximum likely to be required), embodied, inter alia, the following items:—

- (1) Depreciation at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum of the purchase price of the present Plant, Equipment, etc. \$115,500
 - (2) Replacements \$ 60,000
 - (3) Reserve \$ 50,000
- i.e. Depreciation was estimated at 10 per cent. per annum having due regard to the possibility of the recommendations of the expert (to be nominated by the Government) involving the installation of a new system and consequently the replacement within the course of the next decade of the major portion of the present plant and equipment. Should such necessity not arise, the balance of profit and loss account would be augmented by the difference between the estimated and actual figures.

2. Taking the second item, replacements \$60,000, this amount corresponds with the figures prepared by Mr. W. W. Cook, the Telephone expert, whose recommendations were incorporated in the report of the Telephone Committee of the Joint Chambers of Commerce submitted to the Government in August, 1922.

3. Turning to the matter of "Reserve," upon which the Hon. Mr. Alabaster expressed some concern, I would point out, with a view to allaying apprehension on this score, that \$50,000 per annum was provided under this heading on the assumption, firstly, that the Company's licence would be for a period of fifty years; secondly, that the whole of the balance of the nominal capital of \$5,000,000 would in due course be called up and utilised in order to finance improvements and the contemplated extensions of the service from time to time; and lastly, (by taking into consideration the fact that provision must necessarily be made for the disposal of the business at the expiration of the licence period of fifty years), the reserve to be created during that time could not in the circumstances be regarded as excessive in an undertaking of this nature. In this latter connection, I desire to emphasise that the allocation of \$50,000 per annum out of profits for Reserve was from the outset of the negotiations with the Government regarded by the promoters as the maximum provision necessary to be made by the new company. It should be observed that items (1) and (3) do not, so long as the Company is improving and extending its undertaking, involve employment of these amounts other than in the business in which it is engaged; therefore the financial position would correspondingly be strengthened both as regards the shareholders and subscribers. Moreover, it will doubtless be obvious as the three items are all estimated maximum amounts, that should it be demonstrated by actual working that such provisions are excessive, then and in such case the credit balance of profit and loss account must necessarily benefit accordingly. Inasmuch as the subscription rates based upon \$108 per annum per exchange line were computed to produce a revenue adequate to cover the maximum amounts above referred to (in addition to the ordinary working expenses of the undertaking and the minimum distribution to be provided on the nominal amount of the issued capital of the new company), it naturally follows that any augmentation of the credit balance of profit and loss account must ultimately redound to the benefit of subscribers.

In conclusion, I wish to avail myself of the opportunity of thanking you for your courtesy in publishing this letter, in which relation I should like to lay particular stress upon the fact that in thus writing to you I am actuated by a desire merely to make what appears to me a necessary explanation, and in no sense am I prompted to criticise the attitude adopted by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster on this subject, bearing in mind that in the absence of sufficient data (as indicated by the Hon. Member himself in the course of his remarks), his conclusions from the wording of Clause 10 of the Resolution before the Council were in the circumstances reasonable deductions to be made.

Yours, etc.,
J. H. TAGGART.
Hongkong, May 26.
Radio Classes.
(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—A writer signing himself "Ignoramus" in your last Friday's issue suggests the formation of night classes for the study of radio and asks for information in this direction.

For the benefit of your correspondent and others who, like him, are ignorant that facilities exist at the present time for gaining a knowledge of radio at a trifling cost, I would mention that classes are held twice a week at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street. Outsiders as well as members are welcome to join these classes. A request for literature dealing with the night classes, scale of fees, etc., will doubtless be promptly attended to by this institution. As far as I am aware, the charge for members is \$10 for a term, non-members having to pay slightly more.

The Y.M.C.A. radio outfit, which has been acquired at considerable expense, is claimed to be one of the best in the Colony, and it is only a question of how long before a licence to broadcast is issued when this institution will have a Radio Club. Meantime the classes are in progress, and intending students would do well to enrol.

Yours, etc.,
RED TRIANGULAR.
Hongkong, May 25.
Fool Proof Cars.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—Could not the Tramway Company be urged to add to the number of minor improvements it has recently instituted? The question of overcrowding crops up very often especially during the hot weather. I do not refer so much to the third class part of the car as the first class. Only the other morning overcrowding took place on a downtown car which could easily have been prevented. People streamed on but the driver, knowing the car was already overfull, took no notice! He probably had no instructions on the matter. It appears to me that all that is wanted is either a chain or a gate placed in position. On being signalled by the conductor this chain or gate could be placed in position by the driver without any trouble. Also when a car is full it should not stop at any stopping place unless passengers wish to get off. Another thing: Third class passengers should only be allowed to alight from the third class entrance.

Yours, etc.,
FIRST CLASS.
Hongkong, May 26.

Granite Chips.
(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—The P.W.D. should institute some rules regarding the chipping of granite. It is no uncommon thing to see a Chinese mason in a busy street chip away at granite blocks or settings indifferent as to whether the chips he makes hit anyone in the eye. Surely there should be a screen placed round the work being done to prevent people being deprived of their eyeballs.

Yours, etc.,
HONGKONG, MAY 26.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

WHAT IT SEEKS TO ACCOMPLISH.

ARCHDEACON BARNETT'S WORK.

The following is an extract from a letter written by Dr. S. W. Tso, a member of St. Stephen's College Council, to the Editor of "College Chimes":—

As one who has associated himself with the College and its affairs from its very inception I think I ought, at this critical moment, to point out certain facts about the College which the students and the public may not fully know.

First—St. Stephen's College was not established purely for the "rich men's sons." Many parents of students cannot be said to be rich in any sense of the word. But anxious to give their sons the best education obtainable, they put them into St. Stephen's, and in so doing they have to make great sacrifices.

Secondly—The aim of the College was, from the very beginning and has all along been, not only to give Chinese youths a sound and good academic training, but also a thorough training for character. In this respect the traditions of an English Public School are followed. What are these traditions? To those Chinese who have not gone through a course of Public School training in England the word carries no meaning or weight. It would perhaps be well to point out here some of the leading features of a Public School Boy's training which makes him the man.

They are taught to be self-reliant, courageous, self-respecting and to stand by the truth. They are trained to keep discipline both in the class room and on the playing fields. They acquire, by general example, the spirit of co-operation, even being willing to sacrifice personal opinion or interest in a cause for the common good. Boys' dispositions differ and the masters take a good deal of trouble to study them individually and to find a suitable way to lead them into the right course.

Thirdly—Its fees. The fees charged by the College were no doubt, at first higher than those of the other schools carried on by the Government or under the Government grant-in-aid scheme. The difference in charges now is very little compared with some schools which are under the grant-in-aid scheme. But the fees charged by St. Stephen's would not really cover and meet all expenses if the C.M.S. did not undertake to pay the salary of the Warden, and part of the salary of one of the assistant masters as well. Commercially speaking, if one wants to get a good article, he would have to pay a higher price for it. With St. Stephen's the case is quite different. It is not a commercial enterprise. It offers to the Chinese community an education which costs more than the fees demanded. Perhaps the following paragraph will explain my meaning.

Fourthly—The Staff. The C.M.S. is responsible for the Warden's salary, which does not come out of the fees. Through the influence and good offices of the C.M.S., the College is able to secure teachers from England, men with highest University qualifications, to come and teach out here at an absurdly low salary. Every one of them, if he were to take an appointment at a Government school would get a much larger sum. Would any one with an eye to material interest accept such a position? No one, I must say, but an altruist would do so, and one who is convinced that the work he undertakes to do would confer a great benefit on China and the Chinese. They are indeed living examples to our students of making sacrifices for a good cause—the cause of education. As to the average number of masters to the number of boys, St. Stephen's has more masters than any school in the Colony.

The management of the College is under the control of a Council consisting of men who take a great interest in the education of Chinese and who accept a seat on it because they know the good work St. Stephen's has done. College funds are vested in Trustees. All moneys that the College may possess are entirely devoted to its improvement and expansion.

In 1903 the Venerable Archdeacon Barnett started the College without receiving any financial help from the Chinese community. Through his careful management and foresight he succeeded in establishing a high-grade school for the Chinese. We Chinese indeed lost a great friend when he left the Colony on account of ill-health after having worked for a quarter of a century here and in China. What has he left behind to his Chinese friends? The answer is—a splendid educational institution and a little fortune of \$200,000 obtained by selling out the remainder of a lease

of the old College premises, which the Archdeacon was far-sighted enough to secure for the College. The question now arises. Will the Chinese community here and abroad, from whence many of the students come, accept these noble gifts from the Archdeacon, and express their appreciation of his work by liberally and unitedly helping to get a permanent building for the College? The Public School system of education has now come to China and is going to remain. The old Chinese system of private tuition, except for the very young, will be superseded by the new system. The old system is found to be unsuitable to the need of the time, for it does not give to students the broad-mindedness and the broad views in life which can only be acquired by those who come into contact with a large number of their own comrades. As we all know the standard of a nation is judged by the standard of its manhood. A school like St. Stephen's which aims at producing many men, the manhood of a nation, has a very far-reaching effect upon China. It will not only benefit individuals and families immediately but will ultimately benefit China at large.

It is well known that Chinese, as a race, are most charitably disposed; that they are very liberal in helping a good cause, and that they work most assiduously for the interest and welfare of their descendants. With these qualities, the Chinese, I feel sure, will not fail to support strongly the cause of St. Stephen's when they realize the importance of such an institution to their people. In Europe and America it is not at all uncommon for rich men to give a large part of their fortune to endow or build a college. There are instances too, I believe, of Chinese doing the same thing in China. Locally I can quote one instance, that is, Mr. Tang Chuk-kai who gave one-third of his estate to the Hongkong College of Medicine which is now amalgamated with the Hongkong University. It is due to men of such calibre that a nation may hope to get strong. For they look far ahead into the future and think more of national than of private interest.

May I in conclusion express a hope that your readers will always bear in mind that the best provision for one's descendants is to provide them with a good school where they can get a sound education and training. To leave them a large fortune only is not always a blessing. With a good character and a liberal education they may even succeed better than their forefathers, and St. Stephen's provides them with both.

"OUR CABARET."

MR. JAMES McGRATH'S ENTERPRISE.

Mr. James McGrath well gauged the Hongkong theatrical taste when he presented the Lee White Revue last month. He is now following this up with what seems to appear to be a new style of entertainment in the Cabaret Revue Company presented by Messrs. Reginald Selleck and Charles Chamier next Tuesday at the Theatre Royal, for five nights. The Company are coming to China from Rome via India, where they were credited with being the best show of its kind that had ever visited that country.

They are ten strong and give a series of Cabaret Revues on a more intimate style than the previous companies we have had. There will be a complete change of programme each night, the opening one being "Cabaret Folly." Each artist will be visiting Hongkong for the first time and in selecting the personnel each one has to be a specialist in his or her own line.

The booking is now open at Moutrie's, the prices of admission being \$4, \$3, \$2, and \$1.

"OUR CABARET."

Jan Carroll and Rene De Jessé in a specialty dance in "Our Cabaret" which opens at the Theatre Royal on Thursday night.

LATEST FEARS.

CRITICAL CANTON POSITION.

NO FIGHTING YET.

FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS EXPECTED.

Without actually resorting to fighting, the non-Cantonese mercenaries in Canton are driving the Communist adherents of Dr. Sun from the capital.

Many of the Kuomintang politicians have been passing through Hongkong to Swatow where their general, Han Shung-chi, is in power.

As has already been reported, the civil government (excepting the Police Bureau) has left Canton city for Hoi-nam across the river. Further developments are reported to-day.

LATEST POSITION.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, May 25.
General Yang Hsi-man, commanding the Yunnanese army in Canton, returned here on Saturday after being absent for more than a week. General Lan Tsun-wan, commanding the Kwangsi allies of the Yunnanese, returned to-day and lunched in the Asia Hotel.

Important developments are expected to follow the return of these two leaders.

Han Shung-chi is frantically recalling Pan Shek-sang, previously strong man of Canton and reported to be favourable to the Communists.

Governor Hu Han-min, Lin Chung-wei the labour leader and General Tsechen Wu, the Police Commissioner, are now seriously considering the establishment of headquarters either at Whampoa or Swatow to keep the mercenaries at arm's length. Whampoa is the "Red" stronghold at present.

The Police are no longer carrying rifles as these weapons have been taken to Whampoa for the Kuomintang cadets and soldiers there. Instead they have obsolete revolvers.

That Canton is uneasy is revealed by the crop of alarming rumours going round. Some merchants fear that the trend of developments portends trouble within a week.

KONGMOON OUTLOOK.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Pakkai, Kongmoon, May 25.
General Leung Hung-kai, actually nominated by the Kuomintang to rule this part of the province but now more or less "neutral" is withdrawing his troops from the West River. Ostensibly, he is preparing to resist any raid by anti-Sun guerrilla leaders. Chu Tau Shan, an important strategic point, is being heavily fortified.

STOLEN JEWELLERY.

YOUNG GIRL PLEADS GUILTY.

A young girl who had stolen a quantity of jewellery was in turn alleged to have been robbed by a married woman. As a sequel, both were charged separately at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The girl pleaded guilty, whilst the elder woman denied the allegation of theft.

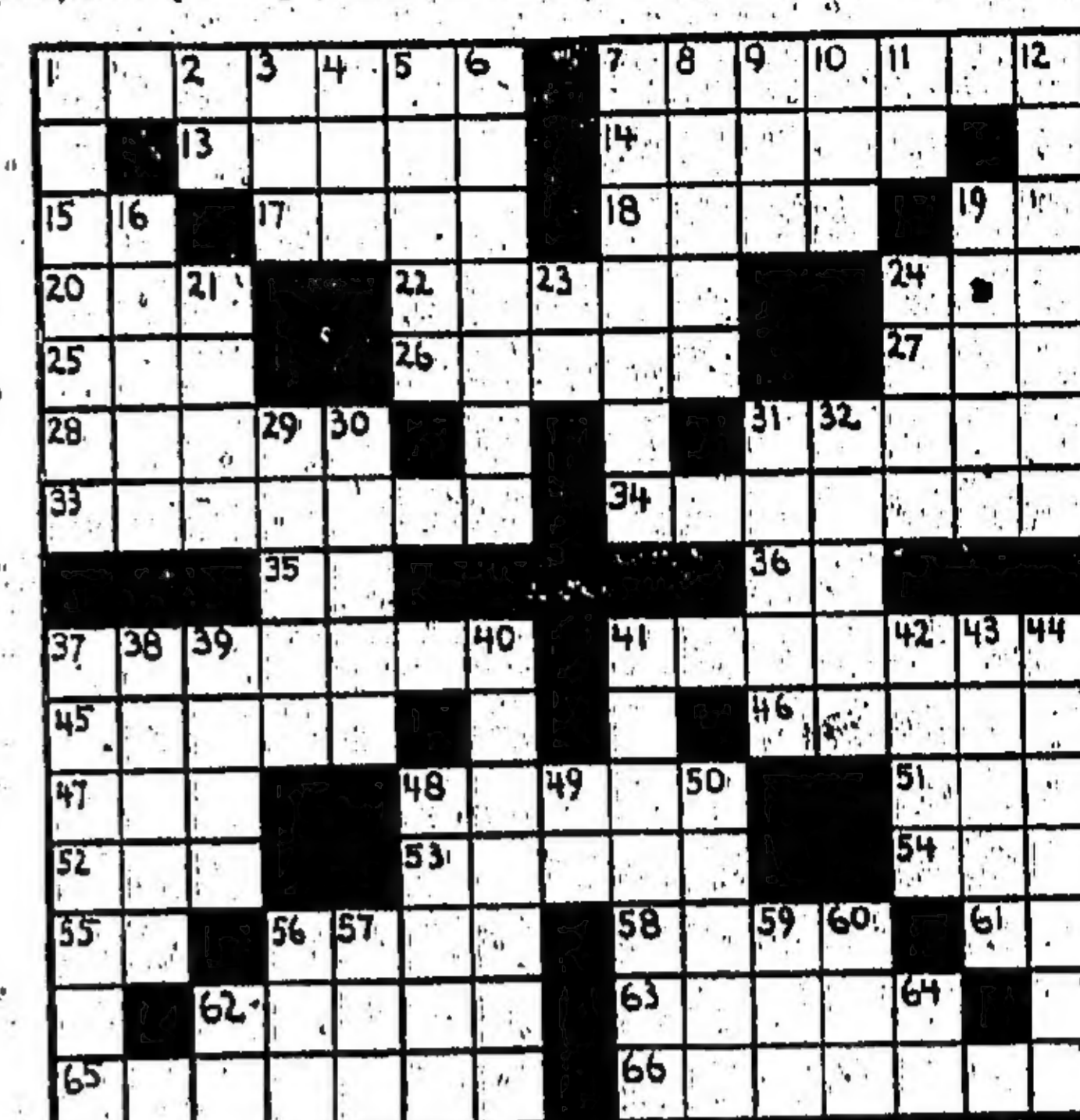
After the evidence of a pawnbroker, the cases were adjourned for further investigation.

—Owing to defects in the Hongkong-Shanghai cables, all telegrams for Shanghai and beyond will be subject to delay.

Darting across the road in front of a motor car turning into Garden Road from Queen's Road Central yesterday, a Chinese was injured in the leg, and had to be taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

CHINA MAIL'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(These cross-word puzzles have been made by experts but our readers are warned to watch out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter between in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

HORIZONTAL

- 1—Territory of an earl
- 7—Enclosure for chickens
- 13—A coronet
- 14—Embellish
- 15—God of the midday sun
- 17—A garden famed in Bible times
- 18—Akin to love
- 19—Myself
- 20—Near the stern
- 22—Make suitable
- 24—Disagreeable, spiteful woman
- 25—Correlative of "neither"
- 26—Elderly women
- 27—Corroded
- 28—Distrust
- 31—Challenges
- 33—Barren
- 34—The who glide over ice
- 35—Indefinite article
- 36—Island near New York (abbr.)
- 37—A tool
- 38—Substance similar to varnish
- 45—Entrance or passage (pl.)
- 46—Ordinary means of conveyance
- 47—Thus (Latin)
- 48—Factions
- 51—1/1000 of an inch
- 52—Part of the foot
- 53—Make a law
- 54—Adjective to a house
- 55—Printer's unit
- 56—Slim
- 58—An amphibian
- 61—Abbr. for "each"
- 62—An eastern State of U. S.
- 63—To follow
- 65—Commenced
- 66—Regrets

VERTICAL

- 1—Trips with messages
- 2—Right (abbr.)
- 3—Pib
- 4—Father (familiar)
- 5—Wood nymph
- 6—A command
- 7—Occurs
- 8—Prepares for publication
- 9—in no manner
- 10—Sob
- 11—Ligon
- 12—Female who writes verse
- 16—On the move
- 19—Mother
- 21—Faithful
- 23—Expressing present existence
- 24—Guardianship
- 29—Modified loaf in a flower cluster
- 30—Part of a fork (pl.)
- 31—Little valleys
- 32—At an angle
- 37—Stickers
- 39—Peculiar spirit of a language
- 39—Delicate
- 40—Whirled
- 41—Ghost
- 42—Cried
- 45—Spry
- 46—Part of house (pl.)
- 48—A fish net
- 49—Baby's name for father
- 50—Rock
- 56—Salter
- 57—Struck
- 59—Polonious serpent
- 60—Owing
- 62—A parent (abbr.)
- 64—Half an em

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's "China Mail" along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

HAUL OF MORPHINE.

VALUED AT \$33,000.

On an application made by Mr. H. A. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Department, at the Central Magistracy this morning, an order was made by Mr. S. B. B. McDermid for the confiscation of 1,760 ounces of morphine.

The seizure was made on the motorship Peru on May 23, which had on the manifest a shipment from Antwerp to Dainy entered as drugs. An inspection of the contents of the cases resulted in the discovery of the morphine packed along with boric acid and magnesite.

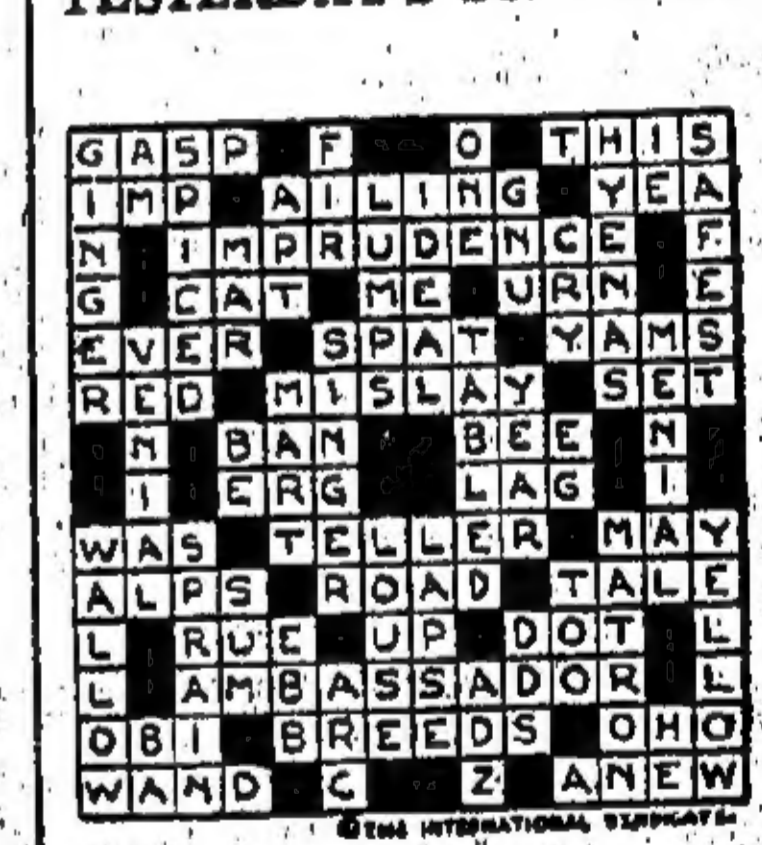
The total value of the haul is estimated at \$33,000.

BRITISH BASEBALLERS.

Two members of the British community, Burn and Duncan, created a favourable impression at the practice of the Hongkong Baseball Club on Saturday when Lattie, the captain, put the men through their paces.

In a fight at Nau Shi Wap village, Kowloon City, a Chinese had the worst of it and had to be taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday with various injuries.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



BLACK PIRATE.

LAUNCH ATTACKS SHIPPING.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

PAKKAI, KONGMOON, May 25.
A launch with her funnel and hull painted black has been seen near Ho Chung between Sulam and Shekai, attacking passing vessels and native gunboats have been sent to search for her.

There has been no river communication between this port and Macao since the piracy of the tow-boat.

The watermen at Sunning are on strike in protest against burdensome taxes.

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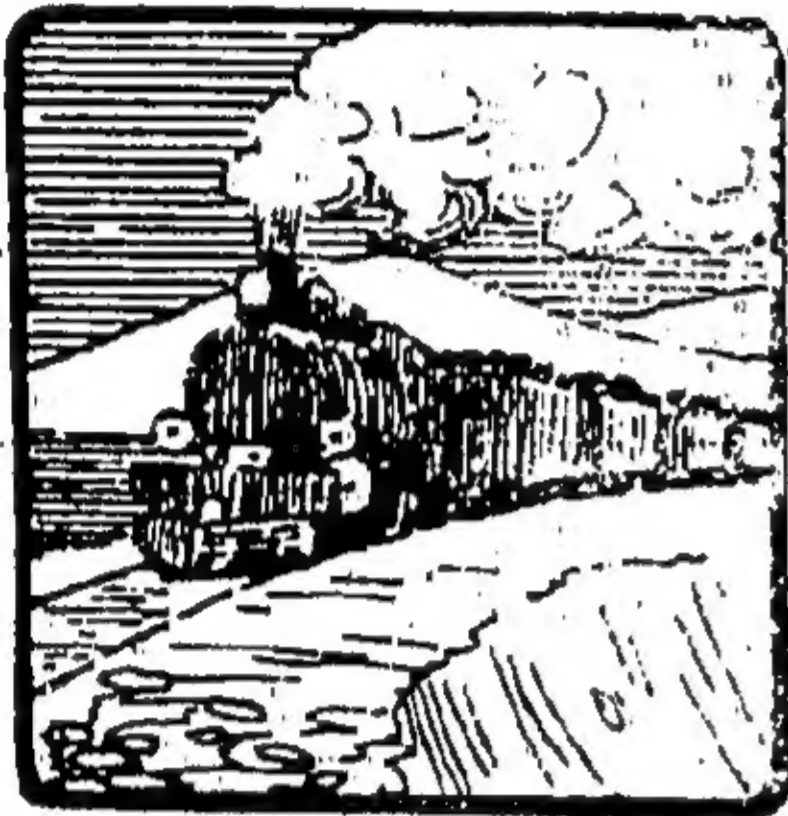
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"The Culture of Concentration" will be the subject of this week's Public Lecture of the Hongkong Lodge The Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday, May 27, at 5.45 p.m. The Public are invited.

A Shanghai Municipal Council minute states:—"The engagement of a German subject in the Municipal Band as recommended by the Conductor, is approved, it being recorded that there is no objection thereto on political or other grounds."

The balance sheet of the government of Northern Ireland for the year shows a surplus of revenue over expenditure of £150,000. The figures for the surplus for the previous years of Ulster's existence as a separate state were £47,000, £22,000 and £45,000, respectively.

A scheme to establish a public band at Singapore has been definitely materialised. It has been decided to establish a police band of 30 performers, composed of ex-Indian Army bandmen and it will be under the direction of Mr. Milnes, bandmaster of the 2nd Bn. the Royal Sussex Regiment, who is retiring from his present post and joining the Straits Settlements police on June 1. The band will be subsidised by the Municipality and will give public performances in the town.

The grounds of the Hotel Majestic, Shanghai, should prove an ideal spot for an open-air cinema. The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., have announced their intention to start one early in June. Arrangements are being made to seat comfortably 1,500 nightly and also to secure "feature" films from United Artists, First National and Fox companies. Shanghai will soon contain more cinemas in proportion to the size of its Western population than any place in Europe. A super-cinema is on point of completion in North Szechuen Road, another is to go up, on the site of the old "Shanghai Times" buildings—these in addition to the summer at all events to eight that were in operation last year. The Majestic open-air cinema will make a ninth.

The charge for a "landing permit" imposed on aliens landing in the Netherlands Indies has been raised from 50 guilders to 100 guilders, operative since July 1, 1924.

Col. John Coolidge, father of the President, is no longer in the maple sugar business. He has written to Mrs. J. D. Knapp of Joliet, Ill., who asked him for prices. "The President's father replied: 'I have let my lot. Walter W. Lynds makes nice sugar or syrup and can tell you the price of either, delivered at your place by parcel post.' Respectfully, John C. Coolidge."

Farm labourers and fishermen and others used to an open-air life are now working in a compressed-air chamber beneath the bed of the River Waveney, at Hadspoe, near Lowestoft, making excavations for the piers of a new railway bridge. To relieve unemployment, local men are being employed on the work as much as possible. All the men have had to pass a medical examination. Small, wiry men are most suitable for the work, as they are less affected by the air pressure than others.

I should think, writes the author of several books, that the misquotation of Browning's "O to be in England," is not by any means so frequent as that of Milton's "To-morrow to fresh woods and pastures new." I quoted it in the preface to one of my books. The publisher, or his reader, pencilled in "fields" in place of "woods." This emendation I erased, but the typesetters re-instated the erroneous correction. Re-corrected, the compositor combined to restore the wrong reading on galley-slips and page-proofs, alike. Finally, that superior person the printer, reader restored "fields" in red ink on the final proofs. I, therefore, had to replace "woods," choosing a striking shade of green ink, and giving him page and line references to seven separate editions of "Feydeau." Probably mine is the only "popular" book published in the last twenty years in which the line is correctly cited.

"By the time he is 50 a man is past the age of love," said a woman at Marlborough County Court.

Bradford Guardians propose to acquire portable cinema apparatus for use at their institutions, at a cost of £115.

Northumberland Education Committee is to employ a motor van, carrying 1,200 volumes, to supply village libraries.

If 47,000 be subscribed within seven weeks, Croydon and Streatham residents will have the use as an open space of 30 acres of woodland, adjoining Streatham Common, S.W., and extending into the borough of Croydon. A little more than £16,000 buys the property, and £9,000 has been obtained.

Canon Daniel Kiely, Roman Catholic priest, of Templemore, Tipperary, left £100 for masses (at 6s. each) for the souls of all those for whom he had ever said masses, £200 for masses for his own soul, £200 for the souls of his relatives and numerous bequests to Catholic charities, (personal estate in England and Southern Ireland) £11,521.

"Hundreds" of Welsh working men can compose Welsh poems in alliterative verse, compared to the intricacies of which a Greek chorus is as an infant's puzzle. Professor Hudson Williams, of the University College of North Wales, paid this tribute in an address on the teaching of Greek at the meeting of the Classical Association at Bangor.

Are too many books published? The statistics for 1924 in "The Publishers' Circular" provide food for thought. Last year with 12,706 books beat all previous records—432 more than 1923 and 327 more than in 1913, the previous record year! The birthrate, moreover, is decreasing in some classes but growing in others. We would like to hear the views of a literary eugenicist. Fiction shows an increase of 314. Games of 55. Biography of 111; but in Technology there is a decrease of 103, in Science of 93, in History of 47.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. K. W. Fane, late of the Government's laboratory department, is now engaged in teaching at Home.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Bert Harvey, Premier of the Hongkong Hotel, to Miss Carmen Marie Souza, en route from Shanghai by the a.s. Morea.

Mr. Wallace J. Hansen, director of Messrs. John Mannes and Co., Ltd., of Canton, and Consul for Denmark at that place, revisited Bangkok with his wife by the Binsang.

The Court of Directors of the B. N. B. Co., have accepted with much regret the resignation, on urgent medical grounds, of His Excellency the Governor Major General Sir William H. Rycroft, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., with effect from May 9, 1925.

The following message is published for general information:—"After little more than 24 years in Borneo, I am forced to relinquish my Post under the highest 'Medical orders'."

"It is with the greatest regret that I sever connection with the State. On doing so I must tender my deepest thanks to the whole of the Officials, European and Asiatic including Native Chiefs, who are 'responsible for having given me the happiest recollections of my period as Governor."

"I am confident that there is a great future for the country but patience is necessary."

WILLIAM RYCROFT.

He considered "The First Hundred Thousand" the most remarkable journalism of our time, said Mr. Edgar Wallace, presiding at a house dinner of the London Press Club when Major Gilbert Beith ("Ian Hay"), brother of Mr. D. F. Beith of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., the well-known novelist and playwright, was the principal guest. "Ian Hay" said, as a result of writing "The First Hundred Thousand," he was sent for during the war by Lord Newton, who said:—"I want you to go to America and tell them something more. There has been fostered by the pro-German Press in America the idea that the British Army has not left the shores of Great Britain, and that the Australians and Canadians are doing all the work."

"We cannot give you any money, and if you cannot give me any, you will have to go and make it on your own account." (Laughter.)

Identar, under yesterday's date, cables that the body of the late Earl of Ypres was cremated at Golders Green.

Reuter cables that Sir John Baird has been elevated to a barony on the occasion of his appointment as Governor General of Australia.

Reuter cables that the Duke of Northumberland has been appointed a Knight of the Garter. The Duke served in South Africa, the Sudan and in the Great War.

Mr. Alastair Cameron, a director of the P. and O. Banking Corporation, has been appointed Deputy-Chairman of the Board. Mr. C. E. Mallinson and Mr. R. Nicholson have been appointed as assistant general managers.

In commemoration of Empire Day, Capt. Neville (A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor), laid a wreath at the Cenotaph on behalf of His Excellency. He was accompanied by Pay-Lieut. E. D. T. Church (Secretary to the Commadore), who also laid a wreath on behalf of Commadore Stirling.

The news received a few days ago that Herr Fritz Baedeker had died in Germany at the age of 81, recalls the fact that the world-famous guide books which bear his name were first launched as long ago as 1830 by his father Karl Baedeker, a publisher of Coblenz, whose first venture was "Belgium and Holland." The original Karl Baedeker died in 1859 and was succeeded in business by his sons Fritz and Ernst. The two continued the work of their father and added continuously to the list of guide books until every part of Europe was represented in the series, besides several other countries outside of Europe, i.e. Egypt, India, Canada, and the U.S.A.

The task of revising these guides and bringing them up-to-date is alone an enormous one and keeps an international staff of travellers and literary men constantly occupied. "So much may be said for their accuracy and thoroughness that, when the war broke out, both we and our allies did not hesitate to make use of the familiar guides and every available copy was pressed into service, whether in English, French, or German. The work of preparing new volumes and revising those already in existence will go on under the direction of Herr Hans Baedeker and since the war new volumes have already appeared on Canada, Persia, Siam, and Japan, and several other titles are in preparation."

The Duke of York has become president of the Wembley Garden Club, the social centre of this year's British Empire Exhibition.

Mr. G. H. Potts has been presented with a memento by the Shanghai Clay Pigeon Club in appreciation of his kindness in granting the club the free use of his ground.

The death has occurred suddenly at Bristol of Mr. Henry Albert Butt, father of Dame Clara Butt, the contralto. Mr. Butt in early life was a captain in the merchant service and afterwards a shipbroker at Bristol. He retired some years ago.

When Viscountess Astor gave an address on "Ideals in Politics" at the Eccelesdon Guildhouse recently, she was introduced by Miss Maude Boyden, who applied to her the lines from the "Winter's Tale." Women will love her that she is a woman.

More worth than any man; man, that she is.
The fairest of all women.

The marriage took place yesterday morning at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, by the Hon. Mr. D. W. Trautman, of Mr. F. S. Harrison, South British Insurance Co., Ltd., second son of the late Mr. J. W. Harrison, and of Mrs. J. W. Harrison, Epsom, Auckland, New Zealand, and Mrs. Philippa Oliver, only daughter of Major General T. E. Stephenson C.B. and Mrs. T. E. Stephenson, 75, Cardale Mansion S. W. I.

The Prince's concern as to whether he would put on weight during his tour reveals a secret. It is that long trips abroad like this, particularly ocean travelling, give him an opportunity of rest from his strenuous existence at home. He plays as hard as he works, and close observers at his first Love's formed the opinion that he was in need of a milder and less energetic kind of relaxation than he is normally accustomed to taking.

Queen Mary revived the experiences of her youth while visiting Italian towns. She lived for a time in Italy, when a girl, as her parents, the Duke and Duchess of Teck, between the period of leaving Kensington Palace and returning to this country to marry. At the Lodge, had a house near Florence. Princess Mary continued her education in art and medieval history, and literature by visiting various cathedrals and interesting places.

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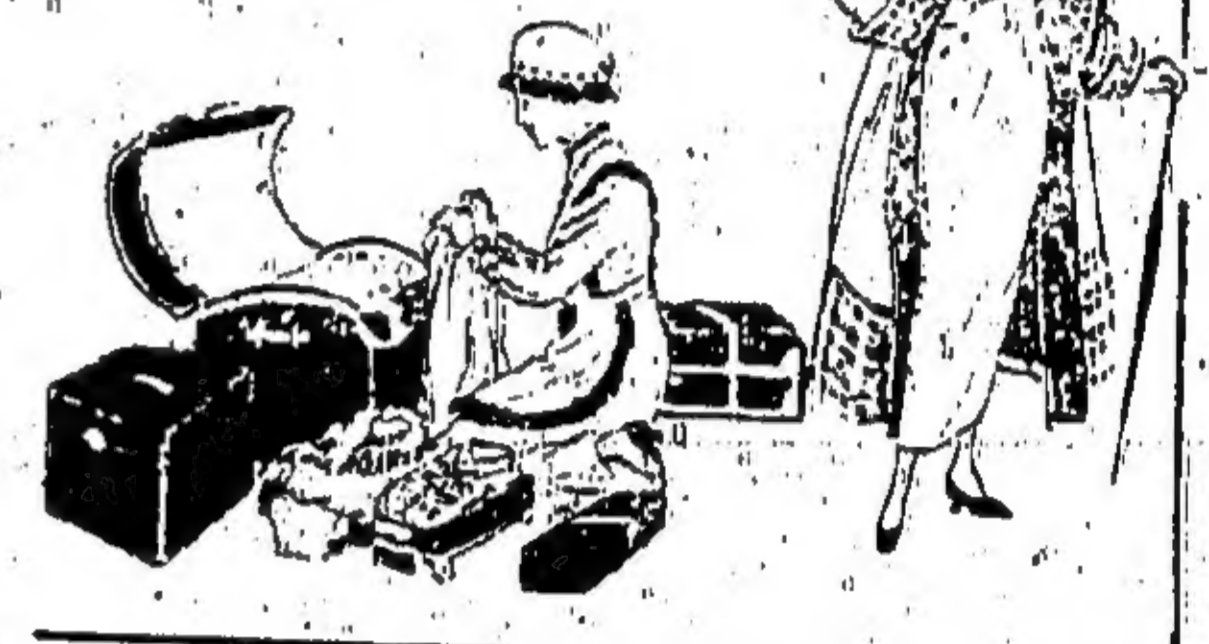
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JOHN SARGENT.

CAREER OF UNBROKEN SUCCESS.

HIS FAMOUS PORTRAITS.

It is doubtful if there ever was an artist whose career can offer as unbroken a record of brilliant success as J. S. Sargent's, whose death occurred in last week.

Born in Florence in 1856, the son of a Boston (U.S.A.) physician, he studied portrait painting in Paris under Carolus Duran, and practically jumped into fame, if not at his first public appearance at the Salon of 1879, with the exhibition of the darling portrait of "Mme. Gautreau" and the Spanish dance picture, "El Jaleo," at the Salon of 1882.

In the same year Sargent sent some portraits to Burlington House. His uncompromising honesty of presentment and the daring of his brushwork, which had more in common with French Impressionism than with the generally accepted academic method, startled the critics as much as the public, and gave rise to fierce controversies, but left no manner of doubt that an artist of exceptional power had burst upon the town.

Forty-three years have gone by since this debut, and in the immense volume of work produced during this period there was never a sign of slackening energy, of compromising flattery, of waning power, or of tiresome repetition.

FRANK PICTURES.

Sargent, many years ago, practically gave up portrait painting, because he chafed under the irksomeness of the fashionable portrait painter's routine, but somehow his pictures never gave the slightest indication of this dislike and seemed to be painted with a zest and keenness of observation that missed neither individual characteristics, nor racial traits, nor the stamp left upon the sitter by social position, occupation, heredity, and manner of life.

Sargent's portraits form a valuable chapter of social history. Occasionally they laid him open to the charge of cruelty. He was never cruel—he was only frank and observant.

The famous portrait of Asher Wertheimer, now in the National Gallery, may be quoted as an instance. It might suggest deliberate malice if it were not known that the artist had a feeling of warm friendship for his sitter and his family.

Sargent's popular fame as a portrait painter must not be allowed to obscure his great achievement in other departments of art. An indefatigable worker, he found his holiday recreation in painting landscapes, scenes of peasant life in the Tyrol and in Italy and Spain—impressions so vivid and spontaneous, so true in the suggestion of real light and atmospheric conditions that they seem to be created by magic, rather than by human agency.

Frequently a few loose streaks of paint, formless and meaningless in themselves and set down with feverish haste, combine, when seen at the right distance, into a suggestion of reality so vivid and complete as to be quite beyond the reach of more painstaking and elaborate representation.

Keenly sensitive to every mood of nature and humanity, he expressed in these pictures the chill and terrible desolation of the glacier region, the somnolence of midday heat in the south, the balminess of the spring day, the elegance and luxury of life in a Venetian palace, the bantering joviality of the tavern, or the tragedy of suffering at the hospital.

The last years of his life were almost exclusively devoted to his ambitious designs for the decoration of the Boston Library and other public buildings in the United States. Sargent idolized Tiepolo, the great Venetian decorative painter, and to a certain

extent based his own decorative style on that of the master of his choice.

SOME FAMOUS SITTERS.

Apart from the Wertheimer portraits, the National Gallery owns Sargent's magnificent portrait of Lord Ribblesdale, while at the Tate Gallery can be seen the group of three children in a garden illuminated by Chinese lanterns, "Carnation, Lily, Rose," and the full length "Ellen Terry as Lady Macbeth." For the Imperial War Museum he painted the memorable pathetic procession of gassed soldiers returning from the trenches.

Among the several hundreds of sitters who passed through his studio were many leaders of political, social, military, and intellectual life. They included: The Duke and Duchess of Connaught.

The Duke and Duchess of Portland.

Lord Russell of Killowen.

Mrs. G. Cornwallis-West.

Joseph Chamberlain.

Sir Ian Hamilton.

Sir Philip Sassoon.

Coventry Patmore.

Mr. Henry James.

Francis C. Penrose.

President Roosevelt.

Lady Sassoon.

Miss Octavia Hill.

The Luxembourg Museum in Paris owns his superb "Carmenita," a Spanish dancer in a bright yellow skirt.

A LONG NOSE.

Though resolutely avoiding publicity and lacking Whistler's love of controversy, Sargent had some of Whistler's dry wit and more than a little of his shrewdness of judgment. Quite in the Whistler manner was his remark to a woman who complained he had made her nose too long.

"The portrait is finished," he said.

"But, Mr. Sargent," she wailed, "you haven't altered my nose."

"Oh," drawled Sargent, "a little thing like that you can alter yourself when you get the picture home."

At least two of Sargent's pictures really were altered by others. In one case Sargent heard criticism of a portrait he had done of a woman, and on going to the gallery found that though the head had been left alone, other parts of the picture had been repainted in water colours by some clumsy amateur.

Another woman, heeding a prudish relative's lament about the bareness of her shoulders, asked a girl friend who "painted a little" to add a little lace!

Sargent, a marvellous precision in the technique of his art, was delightfully vague about even commonplace facts. Asked to dine on Christmas Day, he wrote an acceptance, but added, "You do not mention the date, but as I see that last year Christmas fell on the 25th I suppose this year it will be on the 26th."

THE MAD WOMAN.

Sargent's weird power of summing up the personality of a sitter is attested by the fate of an American woman who, on account of nerve trouble, was advised by her puzzled physician to take a trip to Europe. She did so, and had her portrait painted by Sargent.

On her return she showed the picture to her doctor, who stood transfixed. The portrait was that of a mad woman. The artist had seen the trouble by which the doctor had been baffled.

Within a year she died a raving lunatic.

Jane gave notice: She was going to be married in a week's time.

"But it's so sudden!" said her mistress. "Of course, I'm pleased that you're going to settle down, but I wish you could wait until I am suited with another maid."

Jane fidgeted with her apron.

"Well, m'm," she hesitated, "I'm sure I'd be willing enough, but I don't feel as 'ow I know 'im well enough to ask 'im to put it off."

KINNA TESTS.

STORIES OF MR. "BUD" POLLARD.

DEEP NOTION LOOK FOR \$2.55.

Anxious inquiries were made by many people who had parted with \$2.55 to Mr. "Bud" Pollard for a kippie film "Bud" in a studio in High Holborn, G.C. on his promise that what would be found for them in his productions if they were suitable.

Mr. Pollard, per inserting an advertisement in London morning newspaper for an "entire cast and production staff" for a film, met more than 150 people who answered the advertisement at the Savoy Hotel and arranged for the test in High Holborn. Here many of them paid a fee of \$2.55.

On the day that Mr. Pollard had fixed for many of the people to visit the studio to see their faces on the screen, many of them arrived, but Mr. Pollard was not there.

The people were indignant and several visited the police.

Two girl friends who live at Earl's Court S.W., Miss Diana E. Tyndall and Miss Primrose Kent, answered Mr. "Bud" Pollard's advertisement. Miss Tyndall is a commercial traveller and Miss Kent a ball-room dancer. They told a reporter that they gasped when told they would receive a salary, if engaged, of at least \$15 a week.

They said they asked, "Why offer 15 guineas to unknown and untrained girls when there are so many film people wanting work?" and Mr. Pollard replied, "I am looking for types and personalities," and said he thought they were just the types required.

Describing the test, Miss Tyndall said: "A description of us, including the colour of our eyes, our weight, and attainments such as sports and riding, was taken."

Then came our turn. Mr. Pollard was a picture of patient kindness. "Walk behind that screen," he said. "When you get half way across the room you will see this note. You will read that your mother has just died. Register sudden and deep emotion, and fall back on the couch." He was pleased with the first attempt. "We'll shoot it now," he said, and repeated the test.

When the tests were over, a receipt for \$2.55 was presented to Miss Kent. She said she had not the money for it, and Miss Tyndall was not asked for any money. "Pay it when you call again," they were told.

The police, who are anxious to interview Mr. Pollard, are still unable to find him.

MOTOR PARKS.

UNDER LONDON SQUARES.

Engineers of the Automobile Association have been discussing the possibility of making motor-car parks beneath some of the principal squares of Central London. The police, it is understood, are in sympathy with the scheme.

This bold suggestion for solving what is rapidly becoming an alarming problem has been thoroughly considered from all points of view. The A.A. are so firmly impressed with the possibilities of the scheme that they are approaching local authorities to convey a clear idea of their proposal their engineers have built a wonderful model to scale of Leicester-square, showing a motor park beneath it capable of accommodating 170 cars.

This number, it is stated, could be stowed away under the square without causing the least inconvenience. Other squares in the congested parts of London could be used for the same purpose.

As matters stand, garage accommodation in certain parts of the West End of London and the City is inadequate, and motorists who leave their cars unattended are liable to prosecution for obstruction.

An official of the A.A. said:—Ground, even in cities limit, on the basis of expense, the building of garages sufficient for requirements. The provision of underground parking places seems to be the only solution.

In the model we have built of Leicester-square, provision is made for two entrances and two exits. Cars and motor-cycles, and possibly cycles, would enter and leave on the near side of the road, and thus avoid crossing other lines of traffic. At the entrance and exit, signals would be one way at the entrance and exit. Signals would indicate when the parking space was filled.

Local authorities would have to raise loans for construction of such underground parks. They could be repaid by a reasonable scale of charges.

"WHAT IS CAPITAL?"

WHY IT CANNOT BE GRABBED.

MR. H. A. JONES'S LATEST BOOK.

Mr. Henry Arthur Jones, is always a spirited writer and a lively controversialist. In "What is Capital?" (Nash, 2s. 6d.) he deals with one of the most vital questions of our times in so clear and vigorous a fashion that he leaves no ground for the follies and fallacies of Marx. It is a book all should buy and study.

A large proportion of our electorate (he says) guides its political activities by the incessant repetition of this false antithesis between Capital and Labour. It is daily engraved in every column of every paper. The Socialist Party start from it as the basis of their political thought and action; thus the whole economic landscape becomes obscured to them, all the landmarks vanish and they wander in a mist of words.

There is no "fund" of cash in the "pockets of the rich," waiting to be grabbed.

Carnegie spoke to me with grim amusement of his great wealth: "I've got nothing but a row of figures in a bank ledger," were the words in which he summed up his possessions. What Carnegie really possessed was the Power over his fellows that was represented by that row of figures.

Because of this peculiarity, because there is no gold "hoarded in stockings or locked up in boxes," wealth simply vanishes when stolen.

Houses, land, shares, factories—all kinds of wealth that can be possessed or coveted, lose their value and become worthless in the degree that the orderly industrial and agricultural activities of the community are suspended, impeded, or stopped.

He who counsels the abolition of Capital, counsels the abolition of all the things in the world that can be used or enjoyed by any of its inhabitants.

Brain and not Labour has achieved the highest services to humanity.

The antithesis to Capital is not Labour, but Poverty. The antithesis to Capitalist is not Worker, but Pauper. The alternative to a Capitalist system is not Socialism, but National Bankruptcy.

LOST IN WILDS.

LAST MESSAGE FROM EXPLORER.

"When I leave Crocodile Creek I shall begin the most dangerous part of my journey. There are treacherous aborigines there, and it is a question of taking one's life in one's hands. I don't know whether there is any water."

These words were used to a friend by Captain G. H. Wilkins, the explorer, of whom nothing has been heard since he sent a message from Crocodile Creek, in Arnhem Land, early last November. He was collecting specimens in the Northern Territory, Australia, for the Natural History Branch of the British Museum.

His last message was just before he set out on what he predicted before leaving would be the worst part of his journey. "It will be impossible, of course, to use the cars," he said before leaving, "so I shall set out on foot with no other except one native guide."

The north of Arnhem Land is wild, undeveloped country, much of it unexplored, and peopled by the fiercest blacks left in Australia.

PASSENGERS.

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PRESIDENT COOLIDGE OPENS GAME.

President Coolidge inaugurated the baseball season in Washington by throwing out the first ball to Walter Johnson. With the President are Mrs. Coolidge, the Secretary of State, Mr. Kellogg, the Attorney-General, Mr. Sargent and Bucky Harris, manager of the world champion Washington Senators.



BABY HERRICK.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herrick have been able to adopt this deserted baby, whom they found wandering chocolate on a street corner, within twenty-four hours after they had attended the funeral of their own five-year-old daughter.



DOWN ON THE OLD FARM.

Photo shows America's Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Jardine and his family, taken at his home on his old farm at Manhattan, Kansas. The Secretary is enjoying a short vacation with his family down on the farm and spends a great deal of his time working the soil.



CARDINAL O'CONNELL.

William Cardinal O'Connell, who led a large Holy Year pilgrimage from Boston to Rome, was photographed as he arrived in New York on his return.



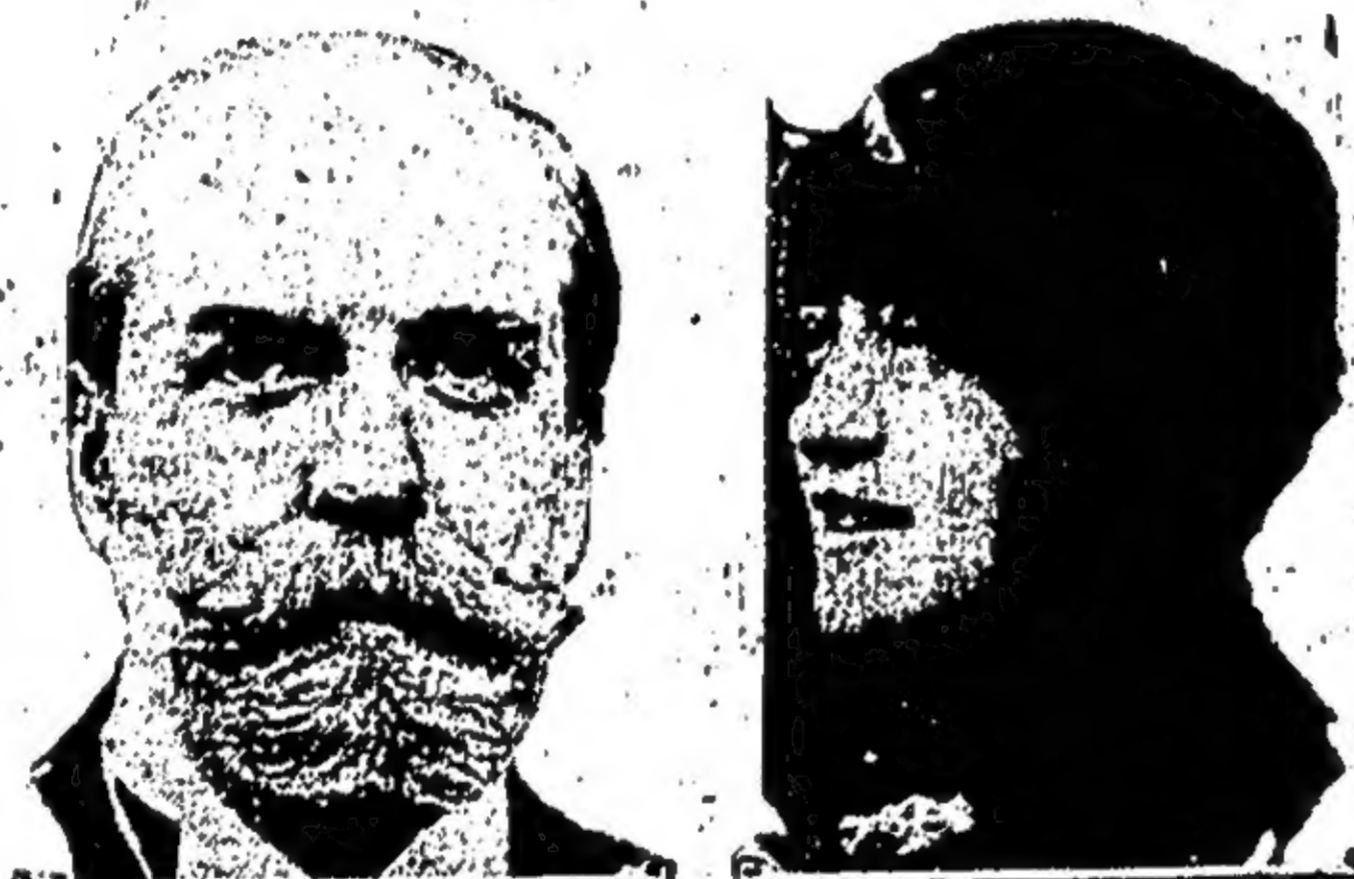
FRANK WORSLEY & GRITTER ALGARSON.

Under command of Frank Worsley, who captained both of Shackleton's polar ships, the ship Iceland will leave Liverpool and push her way as far as possible into the ice fields of Northern Spitzbergen. When the vessel can go no further, a small dirigible balloon will be inflated and, under Gritter Algarson will attempt to fly to the North Pole. After a day of the pole, the dirigible will seek to reach Nome, Alaska. The airship will carry a crew of four men and food for thirty days.



PETER MOLYN.

Peter Molyn, known as the "Midnight Burglar," was wounded and captured after he had stood off 200 policemen, three of whom he wounded with bullets.



CHARLES EVANS HUGHES & RUTH.

Charles Evans Hughes, who was presiding left a meeting of the American Society of International Law in Washington when Professor Philip Marshall Brown, of Princeton, delivered a speech criticising the Jews. Mrs. George Herman (Babe) Ruth suffered a nervous breakdown after her long vigil with her husband, convalescing from an operation. Garry Hermann, president of the Cincinnati Reds, was arrested when dry agents raided hotel rooms of Red rosters in St. Louis. General Gerardo Machado is president-elect of Cuba.

Rose Gown.



Lilyan Tashman, movie actress, wearing an unusual evening gown of white georgette crepe upon which pink and scarlet roses are applied. A wide band of gray fox borders the bottom of the skirt and is also at the throat. There are no sleeves, but cuffs of the same fur are worn at the wrist. She also wears a turban matching the dress in material and ornamented with a huge bow knot of diamonds and platinum at the side.



CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG & RAOLD AMUNDSEN.

Clara Kimball Young, movie picture and vaudeville actress, has reported to the police the loss of \$70,000 worth of jewels which she left in a taxicab. Raold Amundsen, Arctic explorer, is making an aerial flight to the North Pole. United States Attorney Emory Buckner, of New York City, has been 100 per cent. successful in his padlock crusade, every night-life club he charged with selling liquor, having consented to decrees which will lock their doors for a month. Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, noted minister, told students that he refused to be bound by the authority of any church, of any creed, of any teacher or of any book.

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TO-DAY'S VERY QUIET SETTLEMENT.

EFFECTS OF SUMMER.

"This month's settlement to-day has been like that of previous years for May prices gradually dropping, plenty of sellers, no buyers and little business done," replied a leading broker to a China Mail reporter during the tiffin interval.

"As you see," he continued, "I have returned chop chop after tiffin as I have a few more lots of scrip to hand over. That means I shall be finished very shortly and I am not going to miss the picnic."

His summing-up of the situation might be taken as a criterion of opinion all round. With the advent of summer, some of the leading spirits on Ice House Street begin to take a holiday and without their influence, the local share market becomes quieter. Still, as another informed reporter, June would be a fairly big month but after that everybody could pack off to Japan, Shanghai or Manila for two months at least.

Shares which had commanded attention at the last settlement, remarked the first gentleman, had now slumped and were much lower, comparatively. Asked to name a few stocks he rattled off a dozen or so in such quick time that only Electrics remained in memory.

The volume of business had been small. No sensation is expected.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS. ARRIVALS.

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Jade, (Fren.) Kai Yee from Haiphong, Pakhal.
Pt. Madison, (Amer.) A. O. Line, from Seattle, Shanghai.
Oostkerk, (Dut.) J. C. J. L., from Bremen, Shanghai.
Tacoma Maru, (Jap.) O. S. K., from Yokohama, Nagasaki.
Amakusa Maru, (Jap.) O. S. K., from Keelung Swatow.
Indo Maru, (Jap.) O. S. K., from Yokohama, Moji.
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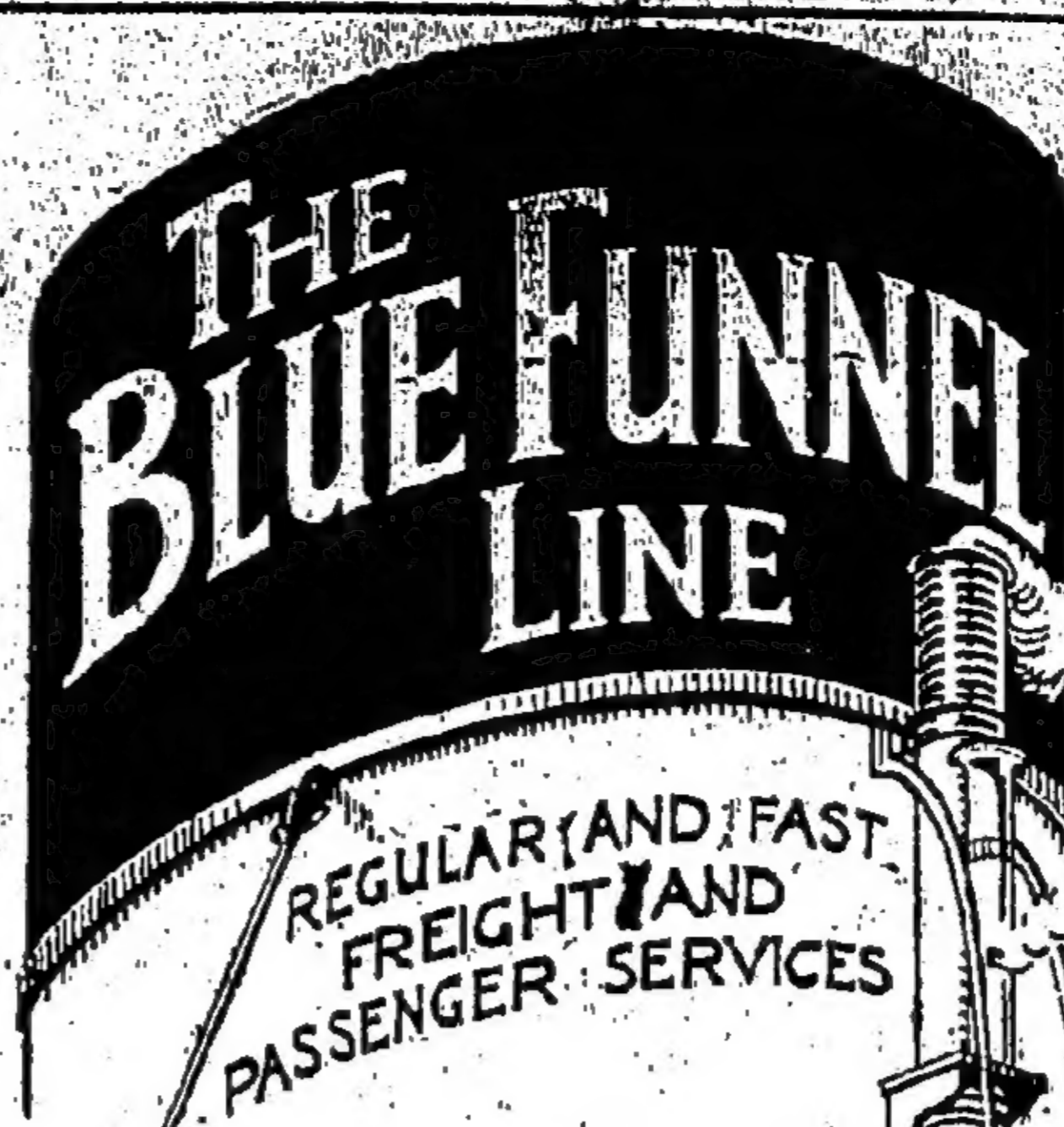
DEPARTURES.

Indo Maru, (Jap.) O.S.K., for Bombay, Singapore.
Yan On, (Chi.) Yan Woo, for Hoihow.
King Yuan, (Br.) B. & S., for Bangkok, Singapore.
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Bengloe, (Br.) Gibb Liv. for Yokohama, Shanghai.

Mr. Norman Parker, Managing Director of Dickson Parker & Co., Ltd., Bank of Canton Buildings who has been in hospital following a nasty accident at Peking a fortnight ago when he injured his leg by slipping through some loose boards, is making excellent progress towards recovery and expects to be about again in a few days' time.

A dog belonging to Detective Inspector T. Murphy was taken to Kennedy Town for observation after it had bitten a Chinese messenger of police.

For reckless driving of a motor cycle, Mr. A. Tinson was fined \$15 at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.



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From	TUESDAY, MAY 26	From
Shanghai	8.30 a.m.	Ambrose
Suez and Straits	8.30 a.m.	Titan
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Manila	8.30 a.m.	Empress of Russia

From	THURSDAY, MAY 28	From
Java	8.30 a.m.	Tijsselsak
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers London 30th April and Parcel 32nd April)	8.30 a.m.	Malwa
MONDAY, JUNE 1	8.30 a.m.	
Australia	8.30 a.m.	Changsha
Japan	8.30 a.m.	Tanda
Australia and Manila	8.30 a.m.	Arafura

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To	TUESDAY, MAY 26	Time
Hoihow	8.30 a.m.	5 p.m.
Port Bay	8.30 a.m.	5 p.m.
Haiphong	8.30 a.m.	5 p.m.
Kongmoon	8.30 a.m.	5 p.m.

To	WEDNESDAY, MAY 27	Time
Swatow	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Amoy	8.30 a.m.	10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	8.30 a.m.	10.30 a.m.
Manila	8.30 a.m.	10.30 a.m.

To	THURSDAY, MAY 28	Time
Swatow	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.
Haiphong, Pakhal and Haiphong	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, E. and S.	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.

To	FRIDAY, MAY 29	Time
Swatow	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	8.30 a.m.	8.30 a.m.

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The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" left Singapore for this port on May 24 at 10 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on May 25 at about 10 a.m.
The B. F. s.s. "Titan" from Liverpool left Singapore on May 23 for this port and is due here on May 25.
The B. L. s.s. "Benalder" from Leith Middlebrook and London due to arrive here on May 25.
The U.P.S. & S. "Empress of Russia" Capt. A. J. Mulant, R.N.Z., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai (Woojung), Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on May 29.
The B. F. s.s. "Teiresias" from Liverpool left Singapore yesterday for this port and is due here on May 31.
The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Yokohama on May 24, left Yokohama on May 25, and is due at Vancouver on June 1.
The B. F. s.s. "Memnon" left Liverpool on Apr. 24 for Straits, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due at this port on or about June 6.

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